

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 29, 2003 (Paper No. 13), Applicants hereby provisionally elect SEQ ID NO:8, with traverse. The traversal is on the grounds that that the Examiner would not have an undue burden in examining multiple species of the claimed invention.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal form is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing 500862002200. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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